



# Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

Released September 28, 2020

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending September 27, 2020. Statewide, the average temperature was 64.6 degrees, 3.5 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 0.05 inches, 0.74 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated 11 percent very short, 25 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated 9 percent very short, 27 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 2 surplus. Corn mature was 73 percent compared to the 5-year average of 74 percent. Corn harvested for grain was 13 percent complete, compared to the 5-year average of 24 percent. Corn condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 15 percent excellent. Soybeans turning color was at 87 percent, even with the 5-year average. Soybeans dropping leaves was at 60 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 65 percent. Soybean harvest was 11 percent complete, compared to the 5-year average of 16 percent. Soybean condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. Winter wheat planted was at 8 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 4 percent.

## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 27, 2020

State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Illinois .....	6.6	11	25	62	2	9	27	62	2

## Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 27, 2020	September 20, 2020	September 27, 2019	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn mature .....	73	53	36	74
Corn harvested .....	13	4	3	24
Soybeans turning color .....	87	73	70	87
Soybeans dropping leaves .....	60	44	33	65
Soybeans harvested .....	11	1	1	16
Winter wheat planted .....	8	(NA)	3	4

(NA) Not available.

## Corn Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 27, 2020 .....	2	5	20	58	15
September 20, 2020 .....	2	6	19	56	17
September 27, 2019 .....	5	15	33	41	6

## Soybeans Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 27, 2020 .....	2	5	21	59	13
September 20, 2020 .....	2	5	22	56	15
September 27, 2019 .....	5	14	37	38	6

## Pasture Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 27, 2020 .....	4	10	28	55	3
September 20, 2020 .....	4	11	32	50	3
September 27, 2019 .....	6	17	40	34	3

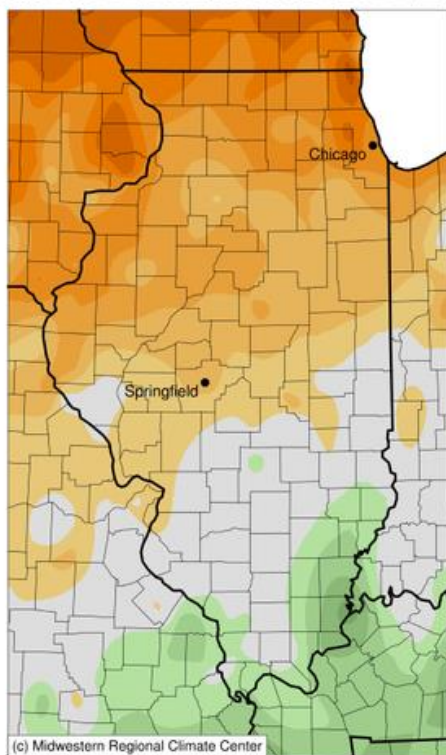
## Weather Information: Week Ending September 27, 2020

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest .....	64.6	6.3	0.18	-0.64	2,834	89
Northeast .....	64.7	5.8	0.05	-0.77	2,870	157
West .....	65.9	5.1	0.04	-0.78	3,021	6
Central .....	64.9	4.4	0.05	-0.66	2,967	15
East .....	64.4	4.0	0.01	-0.62	2,946	36
West Southwest .....	64.8	2.9	0.03	-0.72	3,135	13
East Southeast .....	64.2	1.7	0	-0.78	3,151	6
Southwest .....	63.7	0.4	0	-0.87	3,282	31
Southeast .....	63.9	0	0.02	-0.85	3,319	30
Illinois .....	64.6	3.5	0.05	-0.74	3,048	44

Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

## Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

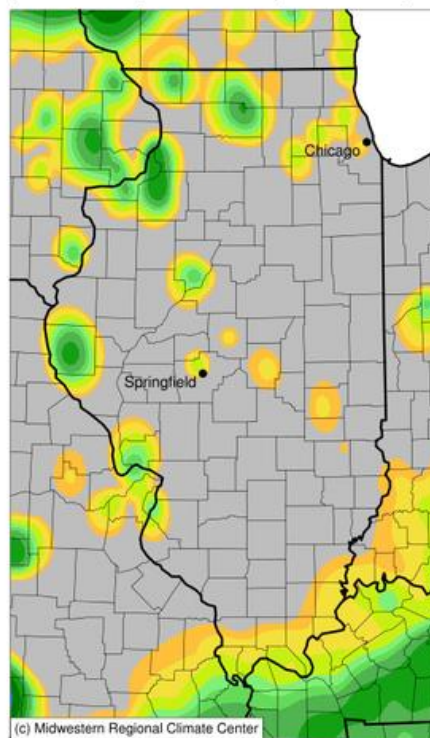
September 21, 2020 to September 27, 2020



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## Accumulated Precipitation (in)

September 21, 2020 to September 27, 2020



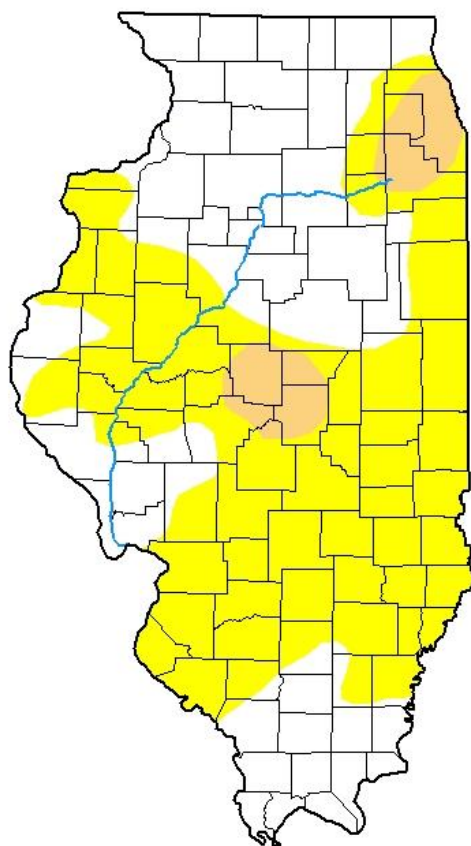
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# U.S. Drought Monitor Illinois

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	42.49	57.51	5.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 09-15-2020	41.53	58.47	7.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 06-23-2020	69.62	30.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-31-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 10-01-2019	82.16	17.84	10.78	0.19	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 09-24-2019	70.80	29.20	6.31	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Intensity:**

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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